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About three quarters of a million abandoned cars are rusting away on private property and along the roads in Ontario. In one Eastern Ontario county alone, there are an estimated 12,000 derelict hulks. It's an ugly situation and the time to clear it up is now, before it gets worse.

Each of these hulks contains a ton of usable metal. They're raw material for a recycling program that could be really effective. The world's supply of metals is fixed and we're using it up faster year by year. We can help save ourselves from the consequences of wastefulness by recycling.

The Ontario Government is taking action now to protect our metal resources and to clean up an unsightly blight on our landscape.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

The Ontario Ministry of the Environment is conducting an abandoned car survey across the province. They are mapping out the extent of the problem and asking if you are willing to help.

Long term planning is now under way to guide the Ministry in future action on this problem. Municipal governments have offered their help and we are looking for public co-operation.

We plan to set up a compound in your area where all auto hulks can be gathered together and shipped out for re-use. In some communities, local businessmen and community groups are taking on the job of collecting cars from the area into their compound. The Ministry has invited this and will encourage it.

BUT WHAT CAN YOU DO?

If a businessman or a community group in your area is collecting derelict autos, all we ask is that you co-operate with them in the removal of hulks from your property.

If not, the Ministry would like to ask a favor. Please take any wreck you may have to our compound as soon as it is established.

That's all.

IT'S A SERIOUS PROBLEM

The Government of Ontario is concerned about the growing number of derelict automobiles. A provincial task force is being set up with members from a number of government agencies. They will work out an over-all campaign for dealing with abandoned highway vehicles, co-ordinating the survey work, analyzing transportation costs and other factors, including legislation.


They may even consider increasing the registration fee for car licence plates to cover the cost of disposal. Maybe every driver should be prepared to pay an extra amount to see that his used-up car is not wasted.

But before we start all this, let's see what we can do with your help. You've already taken the first step by reading this.

THANK YOU



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